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HAMMOND HEADS COAL COMMISSION

PROGRAM FIXED FOR FUTURE OPERATION. — INTERESTED PARTIES WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND INFORMAL CONFERENCE NEXT WEEK.

Washington, Oct. 19.—The United States coal commission created by congress to investigate and report the fact on all phases of the coal industry with recommendations for possible legislation of government at its first meeting today organized by selecting John Hays Hammond as chairman and laid out a program for its future operation.

As a preliminary step the commission telegraphed John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, A. M. Ogle, president of the National Coal association representing bituminous operators and S. D. Warriner, who has served as chairman of the police committee of anthracite mine operators asking all three to attend informal conferences with the commission next week for the purpose of suggestive methods of procedure.

In addition those invited were asked to suggest the names of representatives of their own associations who might serve on consulting committees to assist and cooperate with the association in its work.

After the meeting Mr. Hammond with his associates, George Otis Smith, director of the geological survey, Clark Howell editor of the Atlanta Ga. Constitution, Federal Judge Alechuler of Chicago, Charles P. Neil and former Vice President Marshall made a formal call upon President Harding. Dr. Edward Devine of New York, the seventh member of the commission, did not attend the opening session.

The commission is required by law to render a preliminary report upon its work next January but is authorized to continue investigations there after.

"The sole object of the commission said a statement issued by its members as declared at the meeting today "is to endeavor to get all the essential fact touching the coal industry to the end that practical measures may be found to insure a constant supply of the most necessary commodity at as reasonable prices as are consistent with fair wages to those engaged in the industry.

"The policy of the commission will be to invite and welcome every suggestion and offer of assistance from the mine workers, operators, dealers and consumers of coal. The commission will from time to time make public findings of fact with the view of informing the public as well as of electing additional information before its formal reports are submitted to the president and congress. At the outset it is recognized that only with the cooperation of both the industry and the work of the coal commission be made to bring about the industrial security and peace so sorely needed.

PRESBYTERIANS DOWN SECEDERS IN GREENWOOD

Greenwood, Oct. 19.—The Blue Stocking team of Presbyterian college defeated Erskine in their first annual football clash at the Piedmont fair here today by the score of 19 to 0. The Seceders were clearly outclassed by the fast little team from Clinton, but put up a game fight at all stages, taking the ball on downs, on several occasions.

Jack Wilson, left halfback for the Presbyterians, was the star of the two eleven's, his broken field running and forward passing were the chief feature of the contest.

Extemporaneous Speech.
Mr. C. Lee Gowan made an extemporaneous speech at the Smithville school Thursday afternoon on the coming corn show.

ERSKINE ADDING MORE EQUIPMENT

Greatest Opening in History of the College—Additional Teaching Force.

Due West, Oct. 19.—Erskine college is now entering upon its fourth week of its work for the present year after the most successful opening year she has had in her history of 80 years. The freshman class furnishes not only the largest number the college has ever had, but also the high school preparation. The men's dormitory has been filled and overflow quarters have been sought elsewhere on the campus.

In order to care for the increased number of students and to provide better facilities, provision has been made for an increase in the teaching force and for additional equipment. Professor W. C. Halliday and J. R. Sandidge are the new members of the faculty in the departments and science. Professor Halliday succeeds Prof. G. B. Williams in mathematics and Professor Sandidge takes charge of the department of biology and geology. Professor E. L. Reid of the physics and chemistry department announces the expenditures of \$2,000.00 for added equipment in these branches. A physics laboratory to accommodate 40 students has been purchased from the Central Scientific Co. The tables for this laboratory with needed attachments and accessories were purchased in Kewauenee, Wis. Other equipment has been secured in the departments of electricity, optics, sound, and mechanics. Some of the added material consists of a Wimshurst electrical machine, an oil seal pump, and two exhibition cabinets. Professor Reid has been given an assistant in physics. The new apparatus and supplies in chemistry have added \$500.00 to the already well equipped chemical laboratory. Professor J. R. Sandidge, and M. S. Vanderbilt and a Vanderbilt instructor, has charge of the biology and geology work. The present Y. M. C. A., and chapel hall is being converted into a biology laboratory to accommodate 48 workers. New tables and microscopes and complete dissecting apparatus have been ordered and in addition a culture room has been provided.

Following a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, President Grier announced plans for the remodeling of the basement rooms of the college building and for their conversion into a Y. M. C. A. hall, and a gymnasium. Shower baths and dressing rooms for the athletics teams are being built in connection with the gymnasium.

MORE ABOUT TAXES

Some Facts the Taxpayers Should Know.

Taxes in execution October 1st in Abbeville County amounted to \$47,000.00. These executions are now ready for the Sheriff and parties wishing to pay same should see the Sheriff and not Treasurer Cheatham. Tax books for 1922 will open November 15, the time of opening being changed from Oct. 15 to Nov. 15 by the Comptroller General to avoid confusion.

The dog license law was changed at the 1922 session of the General Assembly, the time for paying this tax closes February 1, 1923, and a fine or prison sentence follows if the license is not paid by that date, and the law will be strictly enforced.

Trustees are required to assist in collecting this license, as the fund goes to the schools of the county.

ABBEVILLE HAS FROST

Abbeville folks woke Thursday morning with a distinct feeling of chilliness. There was a real frost in the air. Barn covers in the early morning, and black potato vines at midday told the story.

ABBEVILLE TO HAVE BIG CORN SHOW

WILL BE HELD IN ABBEVILLE NOVEMBER 16, 17 and 18.—THE SHOW IS BEING CONDUCTED BY PLANTERS BANK AND COUNTY AGENT GOWAN—SOME SPLENDID PRIZES ARE OFFERED FOR THE BEST EXHIBITS

Probably the biggest strictly Corn Show to be held in South Carolina this fall will be held in Abbeville November 16, 17 and 18. The premium list has just come from the press and is now ready for distribution. Liberal prizes are offered for the best ten ear exhibits with stalks and without stalks, for yellow corn and there is a special department for boys and girls. In fact there is prizes for good corn and a prize for the poorest ear, so everybody has a chance.

There is a special sweepstakes prize to the individual who has the best general exhibit at the show of \$16 in cash, and \$20.00 will be given to the School District winning the most prize money and \$10.00 to the School District winning the second greatest amount of prize money. This show is being conducted by the Planters Bank, under the supervision of County Agent C. Lee Gowan of the S. C. Extension Service. Committees for the various school districts will be announced in a few days.

The following is the premium list: **Adult Department.** Best ten ear exhibit of Prolific Corn, white, accompanied by a stalk with ears attached—1st \$7.00; 2nd \$5.00; 3rd \$3.00; 4th \$2.00 and 5th \$1.00. Best ten ear exhibit of Prolific

corn, white—1st \$7.00; 2nd \$5.00; 3rd \$3.00; 4th \$2.00 and 5th \$1.00. Best ten ear exhibit single eared corn, white, accompanied by a stalk with ear attached—1st \$7.00; 2nd \$5.00; 3rd \$3.00; 4th \$2.00 and 5th \$1.00. Best ten ear exhibit of single eared corn, white—1st \$7.00; 2nd \$5.00; 3rd \$3.00; 4th \$2.00 and 5th \$1.00. Best ten ear exhibit of "Yellow corn"—1st \$3.00; 2nd \$2.00; and 3rd \$1.00. Best stalk of corn containing the greatest amount of grain by measurement—1st \$5.00; 2nd \$3.00 and 3rd \$1.00.

NEGRO KILLED BY TRAIN AT CALHOUN FALLS

J. E. Spearman Killed When Seaboard Train Hits Truck on Which He Was Sitting.

J. E. Spearman, a colored man, was killed Thursday morning before day at the Seaboard Air Line station at Calhoun Falls. He and Will Giddens were in charge of a truck with two trunks for the early morning Seaboard train, the truck was backed down by the two men, to be near the place where the baggage car would stop when the train arrived from the North. As the engine passed it caught the end of the truck, jerking it around and throwing Ed Spearman underneath a freight car that was standing on the side tracking killing him instantly. The only eye witness was the helper, Will Giddens, and this is his story of the accident.

An inquest was held over the body yesterday before Magistrate Joseph Hicks, acting as coroner. The foreman of the jury was J. T. Black, and the following composed the jury: S. A. Wakefield, G. A. Tucker, J. F. Edwards, J. B. Wilson and T. G. Sutherland. They found "that Ed. Spearman came to his death by accident or mischance due to the train on the Seaboard Air Line Railway."

Fine Georgia Apples
Mrs. Ira Sprouse has returned from the Southeastern Fair in Atlanta. She was impressed with the fine exhibits, especially the apples grown in the Georgia mountains.

J. P. ABNEY NAMED HEAD PANOLA COTTON MILLS

Greenwood, Oct. 19.—J. P. Abney was elected president and treasurer of the Panola Cotton Mills of this city at a meeting of the directors yesterday. He succeeds B. B. Gossett, of Charlotte, N. C. resigned. For several years Mr. Abney has been president of Grendel Mills Nos. one and two here.

Miss Murphy Sick.
Miss Nelle Murphy was taken to the Hospital this morning and had a slight operation. She is improving after the operation.

TOLBERT NAMED U. S. MARSHAL

To Assume Office Shortly—To Hold Office Without Pay, Until Action Taken by Senate.

Greenville, Oct. 19.—Joseph Warren Tolbert of Greenwood county has been appointed United States marshal for the Western District of South Carolina and will assume the duties of that office as soon as he has filed the usual bond.

He received a recess appointment from President Harding and will hold office for an undetermined period, pending the action of the United States Senate upon his nomination by the President, which remains unconfirmed due to the opposition of Senator N. B. Dial of this State.

Information of Mr. Tolbert's appointment was received here this morning by Federal officials, his commission having been forwarded by the United States Department of Justice to District Judge H. H. Watkins.

Mr. Tolbert for many years has headed the Republican party in this State and is the South Carolina member of the Republican National Committee.

When informed today of the appointment of Mr. Tolbert, the incumbent, Marshal C. J. Lyon, had no statement to make.

Mr. Tolbert will draw no salary under the recess appointment and cannot draw any until he has been confirmed by the Senate, if he should be confirmed. He can, however, exercise all the other duties and powers of the office.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Joseph W. Tolbert, whose nomination as marshal of the western South Carolina district failed of confirmation at the last session of Congress was appointed today to that position by President Harding.

Opposing confirmation of Tolbert's nomination, Senator Dial, Democrat South Carolina charged, when the matter was pending before the senate, that Tolbert was selling patronage in South Carolina. He also declared Tolbert had discriminated against former service men and women.

Under the appointment made today by President Harding, Tolbert can immediately take over duties of marshal. His nomination, however, will have to be again submitted to the senate for confirmation when Congress reconvenes if he is to continue in office.

ALL ABBEVILLE WOMEN WORK?

Or At Least We Know Mrs. W. C. Rogers Does.

Abbeville women all work. Some work to keep from working and others as farmers and producers. Among the latter class you will find Mrs. W. C. Rogers of Penney's Creek who has sold \$375.00 worth of produce at the Club Market since April and in addition to this about 20 pounds of butter a week at 40 cents a pound. This makes her total sales about \$550, while Miss Alma Blanchett of Antreville planted four short rows of beans, about fifty feet in length, in the home garden, and from these four rows she sold \$20 worth for cash, canned about 25 gallons and had enough left for home use.

So when you hear an old grouch complain about the modern girl tell him one mother in Abbeville remarked Wednesday that since her daughters had joined the garden club she was sitting back and "letting the girls do the work."

ABBEVILLE WINS 7 TO 6

Abbeville Hi beat Greenwood Hi in the football game between the two teams today by a score of 7 to 6. This will win for the local team a free trip to the State Fair, which was promised them by football fans if they would whip the Greenwood team today.

LYDD GEORGE HAS RESIGNED

COALITION CABINET RECEIVES DEATH BLOW—GREAT POLITICAL UNCERTAINTY PREVAILS IN ENGLAND.—OTHER RESIGNATIONS.

London, Oct. 19.—The resignation of Prime Minister Lloyd George was officially announced this evening at 6:05 p. m.

The resignation of Viscount Peel, the secretary of state for India, also was announced.

After a brief audience with King George this afternoon, Mr. Lloyd George returned to Downing street where he received a miner's delegation but according to Frank Hodges who headed the delegation Mr. Lloyd George said he could not consult with them as prime minister, since he had resigned.

Members of the miner's delegation said Mr. Lloyd George had told them the king had accepted his resignation.

When Mr. Lloyd George tendered his resignation to the king this evening, he advised his majesty to summon Andrew Bonar Law, the conservative leader, to form a new cabinet. Up until 6 o'clock this evening, Mr. Bonar Law had not been to Buckingham palace.

The resignation of Prime Minister Lloyd George carried with it that of his entire cabinet.

London, Oct. 19.—The Lloyd George coalition received its death blow at the hands of the conservative party when the conservative members of the house of commons and government ministers at their meeting in the Carlton club today voted by 186 to 87 to appeal to the country as the conservative party. This creates a situation of the greatest political confusion and uncertainty the country has known for many years.

The next move certain to be made will be the resignation of Austen Chamberlain and his associates, Lord Balfour and Lord Birkenhead from the cabinet. It is expected Prime Minister Lloyd George will then present his resignation to the king and advise his majesty to summon a conservative leader to form a government.

COUNTY CAMPS.

Newell's Camp is on Turkey Creek this week between Donalds and the Mattox Mill Bridge, working on the Buckett's Bridge on the Donalds and Ware Shoals road.

Ellis' Camp will soon move from the old Gilmer place where they have been engaged and will widen the road from the Reid place across to the Buckett's Bridge road.

Spartanburg Bans Pool Rooms.

Spartanburg, Oct. 18.—The click of ivory balls on public pool and billard tables will not be heard in this city after tomorrow night if the decree of the city council which was passed several months ago is not held up by an order of court. There are three pool rooms and it was said that an effort might be made to restrain council from putting its order into effect. No steps have been taken as yet to delay action by the council.

ABBEVILLE BOOSTERS

Abbeville sent a strong delegation of boosters to Greenwood today to take in the Fair and to root for the Abbeville team at the football game at noon between Abbeville Hi and Greenwood Hi. Everybody in town that could go, went. Those not going to Greenwood took in the Textile Show at Greenville.

New Cut Road.

The County has just finished cutting a new road from the Jim Bell place near Lowndesville to the S. A. Speed place at Swearingen's Mill.